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DISPENSER

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the "Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment" dated April 10, 2002, a copy of which is enclosed. The period for response is one month from the mailing date, i.e., by May 10, 2002, and this response is being submitted within that time period.

Applicants resubmit herewith the Reply to Office Action originally filed on March 6, 2002, along with the requested clean set of claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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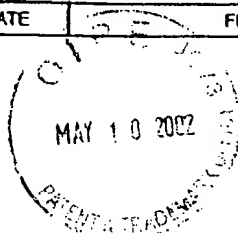
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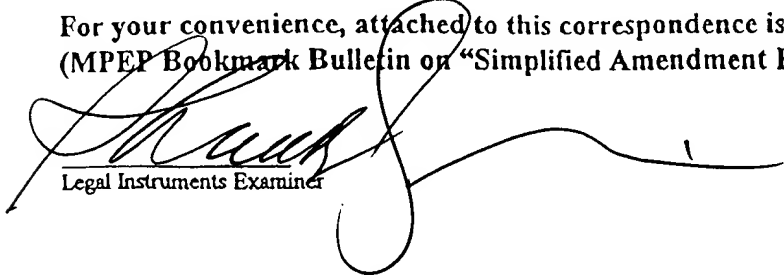
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Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121)

The amendment filed on 03-15-02 is considered non-compliant because it has not been submitted in the format required under 37 CFR 1.121, as amended on September 8, 2000 (see 65 Fed. Reg. 54603, Sept. 8, 2000, and 1238 O.G. 77, Sept. 19, 2000).

- ☐ 1. The amendment does not include a clean version of the replacement paragraph(s)/section(s). 37 CFR 1.121(b)(1)(ii).
- ☐ 2. The amendment does not include a marked-up version of the replacement paragraph(s)/section(s). 37 CFR 1.121(b)(1)(iii).
- ☒ 3. The amendment does not include a clean version of the amended claim(s). 37 CFR 1.121(c)(1)(i).
- ☒ 4. The amendment does not include a marked-up version of the amended claim(s). 37 CFR 1.121(c)(1)(ii).
- ☒ 5. Other Please Resubmit the Clean & Mark up copy of Amended Claims
- ☐ PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT: Unless applicant re-submits the preliminary amendment in compliance with revised 37 CFR 1.121 within ONE MONTH of the mail date of this letter, examination on the merits may commence without entry of the originally proposed preliminary amendment. This notice is not an action under 35 U.S.C. 132; and this ONE MONTH time limit is not extendable.
- ☒ AMENDMENT AFTER NON-FINAL ACTION: Since the above mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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